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In re U.S. Patent No.: 5,986,051 )  
Inventors: Agn  s LABIGNE et al. )  
Issue Date: November 16, 1999 )  
For: GENES OF *HELICOBACTER PYLORI* )  
NECESSARY FOR THE )  
REGULATION AND MATURATION )  
OF UREASE AND THEIR USE )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**STATUS INQUIRY**

An Office Action was mailed December 8, 2006, relating to applicants' request for a Certificate of Correction. A Response to that Office Action was filed on December 15, 2006. There has been no further communication received from the Office.


In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicant is required at this time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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